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Let us too make an excursion to-day. It shall City Hall Park. Let us go to Randall's Island,

Hordes of them are sent out every morning by their parents to pilfer along the piers and bulkheads of the city,-to snatch up, unobserved, a few grains of coffee, a handful of cotton, a pound the special senses were common. Still, a considor two of scraps of iron. Their progress from | erable success has been reached in the treatment petty larceny to burglary is as regular as the ad- of this poor material. Within the first year vancement of the school-boy from class to class. At the age of fifteen the girls are prostitutes and the boys professional thieves. Their lives are made short by hardship and disease, -the only efficient checks upon the still more rapid multipliention of this degraded class.

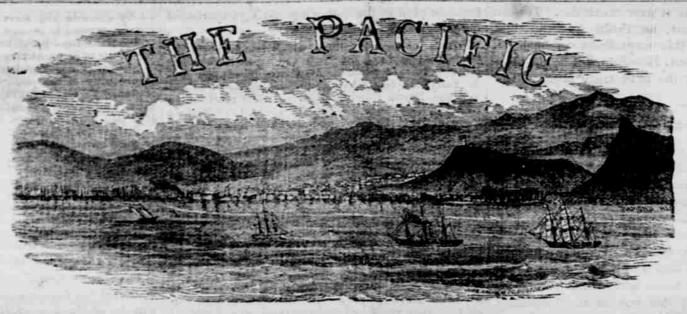
A certain proportion, however, of these children are rescued at an early age from their vicious surroundings. The Children's Nurseries on Randall's Island receive, and educate at the expense of the city, homeless or abandoned children who may be picked up in the streets. Of these no less than seven or eight hundred receive a home upon the island, brought thither before they have entered upon criminal practices, yet inheriting from their parents a constitutional aptitude for vice. There are almost as many stray children as stray cats in the streets of New York. These waifs are gathered up by the police, brought to the island, washed, dressed neatly, housed in spacious buildings, provided with simple food, and cared for by energetic matrons. They have the advantage of forming a child-community, undisturbed by and undisturbing the old folks, as in the case of the ordinary family, where the child and the adult are constantly at variance. These infants have, also, the advantage of training by matrons who make training a specialty. What a benefit might result to society were the care of children taken away from indolent, unsympathetic, and careless

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The class of children brought to Randall's Islhumanity, the result of pickings among the social substrata of the city, yet they make a pretty sight in school hours and at meal times,prove greatly, however, during their island sojourn,—as they have need to do; for they are the poorest specimens of charity children. There are several private charitable societies which select the stronger and sounder specimens of vagrant childhood, being allowed a certain sum



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New York is already packing its carpet-bag and going out of town for the summer. The religious conventions have closed; the Old and the New School Presbyterians, after a ten days' convocation, have agreed to unite their forces for the future; in spite of their protest, the ceremony of decorating the soldiers' graves with flowers took place last Sunday; no anniversaries are appointed for June, and all who have earned their holidays are turning their faces toward the coun-

try or toward Europe. in the East River, and see the Children's that adjoins the hospital.

parents, and delegated to those who have an affinity with childhood! These children are taught in schools provided by the Board of Education. At a suitable age. if not reclaimed by their parents, they are sent westward and placed with respectable farmers,

at the Hawaiian Islands. are ascertained before the children are sent away. Visitors are occasionally sent to the West to look

children that had been adopted by residents of those places. The new parents heard the claim of the old ones with indignation, and refused to they argued, with the perfect understanding that they were to remain until they came of age. To demand their return to their unnatural parents when they had become domesticated and useful in their new homes, was a sort of "extradition "Seeing that they had the best of the argument," naively wrote the disappointed agents, we left them, informing them that we should fenew the claim on the following day. But by that time we found ourselves with a less encour-

been a crime to send them back to the degraded families from which they had been rescued. and is a pretty rough one,—composed of a refuse long rows of roguish faces, arranged like the cherubic ranks in Murillo's pictures; though it is hard to see much of the spiritual character in the expression of these young scamps. They im-

HENRY M. WHITNEY.

per head by the State Legislature for every child they receive within their walls. They have permission to eject such children as may be perverse and intractable, of unsound mind, crippled, or otherwise affected with chronic disease; and these children, thrown upon the public charities of the city, constantly find their way to Randall's Island. Here the little sufferers are cared for in large hospitals, which receive no less than a thousand children per year. The hospital staff is composed of a visiting physician, two house physicians, a matron, and a clerk. About sixty deaths occur in it per year. There is hardly a more touching sight than these rows of patients in their little white cots, the victims of inherited misery and disease. Their fates were settled be-

Island is that only people who possess these have the right to become parents. Besides the infant hospital there is an asylum be to a spot as green and bowery as any New droop sidewise, as if too heavy for the puny

movements and brutal cries, in the playground An idiot school is established in connection In this city no less than 30,000 children are with this institution. It has about fifty pupils, growing up in idleness. They have no occupation divided according to their degrees of intelligence but to beg, and learn no trade but stealing. into four classes. Several of last year's pupils were unable to distinguish, upon admission, between a square and a triangle. Others were unable to distinguish colors; and defects in each of twelve pupils learned to read, six to write, nine to sew; while eight have attained some knowl-

> of geography. It would appear by this that geography is about twice as easy as sewing. Five hundred of the sane children attend another school upon the island; a tailor's shop gives employment to some of the boys; a sewing room busies the girls during four hours of each day, and here ten thousand articles of clothing are repaired yearly. The annual washing

of other officials, etc. They form a small village among the trees with which the island is heavily shaded. Though but half an hour's sail from the Battery, Randall's Island is quiet, cool, and green,-just the place for the youngsters to romp They have a bathing ground; they are ex-

nually; of the Idiot House, \$14,000; and of the Hospital, \$38,000. These sums are paid by the city taxes. I am leaving myself no room to speak of several items which I had noted. The Cooper Institute reception, on the 27th ult., was pleasant and largely attended. The art-students ex-

lately a resident of Labaina. Miss Sarah Coan sailed for Europe on the 26th ult., with a party of her cousins from this city. The Boston papers have doubtless informed you of the recent death of Mr. Jas. Hunnewell

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for juvenile idiots. It is under the same management with the hospital, and contains sixty-two children, representing as many varieties and degrees of imbecility. Some of them are lolling around the main room, unclean in look and gesture; others sit against the wall, painfully sustaining their immense hydrocephalic heads that Yorker can find within twenty miles of the arid frame to bear; others gambol, with loutish

edge of arithmetic and of history, and eighteen

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hibited many very creditable productions in painting, sculpture, and in free-hand drawing. Among those that received special commendation by the judges were paintings by Miss Hattie Baldwin,

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